

CONNECTICUT SENTENCING COMMISSION

Special Committee on Sex Offenders Subcommittee on Sex Assessment and Management Meeting

Friday, December 4, 2015

9:30 AM

Court Support Services Division
936 Silas Deane Highway, 4th Floor
Wethersfield, CT

Members Present: David Rentler (chair), Eric Ellison, Robert Santoemma, Sgt. Matthew Garcia, Tracy Miller, Katie Heffernan Farrell, Randall Wallace, Atty. Natasha Pierre, Vivien Blackford and Marie Shamer.

Staff: Alex Tsarkov

MINUTES

I. MEETING CONVENED

The meeting was called to order at approximately 9:40 a.m.

II. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman David Rentler welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained that co-chairman Gary Roberge could not be at the meeting.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 11.6.15

The minutes from the meeting on November 6th 2015 were reviewed and approved.

IV. PRESENTATION ON THE CONNECTICUT SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY

State police Sgt. Matthew Garcia presented on the state police's administration of Connecticut's sex offender registry and the enforcement of the State's registration requirements.

V. GENERAL DISCUSSION

David Rentler opened the floor to members for a discussion.

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- Several members discussed the private sex offender registry
- Several members discussed tiered registration system
- Several members discussed registry violations
- Several members discussed the intent of the registry and the collateral consequences of being placed on the registry.
- Several members discussed methods to evaluate the effectiveness of the registry

VI. MEETING SCHEDULE

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, January 15th at 9:30am at the Court Support Services Division.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

Members of a group known at CT Fair Justice expressed concerns with the offense-based sex offender registry in Connecticut and the media coverage of those accused of sex offenses.

VIII. MEETING ADJOURNED

David Rentler adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:35 a.m.